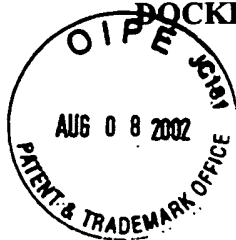


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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

In response to the Office Action mailed July 2, 2002, Applicants hereby elect, without traverse, to prosecute in this application the following disclosed species:

- (i) "peroxidic species" or reaction product from oxidation of alkene, wherein the alkene may be, for example, geranylgeraniol;
- (ii) penetrating solvent such as DMSO;
- (iii) dye containing chelated divalent or trivalent metal such as porphyrin; and

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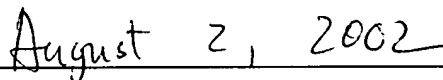
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(iv) aromatic redox compound such as benzoquinone.

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